

REMARKS

Applicants would like to sincerely thank the Examiner for taking the time to speak with Applicants' representative, Wanli Wu on March 2 and March 3, 2011 regarding this application. Applicants would also like to thank the Examiner for indicating that the claimed subject matter would be allowable if the core of the composite particles is limited to a core consisting essentially of a elemental zinc or zinc selenide.

To expedite the prosecution of the application, Applicants hereby amend claims 1, 38 and 50 by limiting the core to a core consisting essentially of elemental zinc or zinc selenide as suggested by the Examiner. As a result, claims 40, 41 and 52 are cancelled. By this amendment, claim 50 is further amended to correct a typographical error.

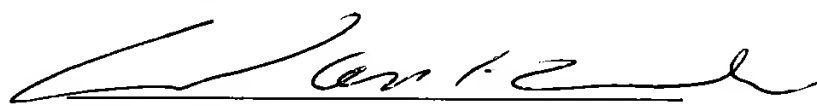
In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that instant claims are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, an early receipt of a Notice of Allowance thereof is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner has any questions concerning this application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney.

Any fees due with this Reply may be charged to Deposit Account **23-1665** under Customer Number **27267**.

Respectfully submitted,
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